

SATURDAY MONEY SAVING SPECIALS

9 TO 10 A. M. STEAK Porterhouse Round, Sirloin Pound 22c	9 TO 10 A. M. EGGS SPECIAL All Guaranteed Doz. 45c	9 TO 10 A. M. RED STAR SWEET POTATOES 5 lbs. for 19c	10 TO 11 A. M. SHOULDERS FANCY LEAN SMOKED Pound 23c
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PRIME RIB ROAST BEEF..... lb 22-24c

EXTRA LEAN POT ROAST BEEF..... lb 17c

PRIME CHUCK ROAST..... lb 20c

LEAN BOILING BEEF..... lb 15c

BIG LAMB SALE

Forequarter..... lb 15c

Loins to Bake..... lb 18c

Short Cut Legs..... lb 24c

Lean Fresh Shoulders..... lb 28c

Lean Fresh Hams..... lb 32c

Lean Rump Roast Beef..... lb 23c

Forequarters Spring Lamb..... lb 24c

Genuine Lamb Legs..... lb 29c

Native
Roasting
F O W L
lb 32-35c

THE MOHICAN COMPANY

Fancy
Fresh
Stewing
F O W L
lb 26c

Native Roasting Veal lb 16-18-20	Fresh Lean Hamburg lb 20c	Lean Pork Chops lb 29c	Rump Corned Beef lb 22c	Lean Smoked Shoulders lb 24c	Puritan HAMS Sugar Cured lb 32c
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BEST ELGIN CREAMERY BUTTER lb 49c

CAPE COD CRANBERRIES..... lb 15c

BEST PURE LARD..... lb 29c

SWIFT'S PREMIUM OLEO..... lb 31c

SWIFT'S LILLY OLEO..... lb 27c

FANCY MILD CHEESE..... lb 31c

SKIM MILK CHEESE..... lb 26c

APPLE BUTTER..... lb 13c

PEANUT BUTTER..... lb 20c

APPLE JELLY..... lb 40c

COTOLENE..... lb 45c

YOUNG AMERICA CHEESE..... lb 34c

BAKER'S COCOA 1/2 lb can 20c

VANILLA Extract lge. bot. 17c

DAVIS BAKING Powder, 1 lb can 18c

RED BUTTERFLY TEA 1/2 lb pkg. 21c

DINNER BLEND COFFEE..... lb 19c

SEA SHELL..... lb 13c

MACARONI..... lb 13c

POMPEIAN OLIVE OIL..... lb 75c

CHERRY GROVE MOLASSES..... Can 12c

WALTON TOILET PAPER..... 8 Ounce Roll 8c

VALENCIA ORANGES 25 for 25c

LARGE GRAPE FRUIT..... 3 for 25c

FANCY TABLE APPLES..... Doz. 30c

TOKAY, MALAGA GRAPES..... lb 10c

FANCY LARGE LEMONS..... Doz. 20c

CELERY HEARTS CRISP TENDER..... 25c

3 Bunches for..... 25c

SOLID HEAD LETTUCE..... hd. 10c

LARGE SPANISH ONIONS..... 3 for 10c

4 to 5 P.M. 2,000 lbs. PRIME RIB ROAST BEEF lb 20c	MOHICAN BEST BREAD Rolls, Buns, Biscuits..... Doz. 5-9c Whipped Cream Puffs..... Doz. 14c White Mountain Cake..... ea. 25c Mocha Layer Cake..... ea. 25c Duchess Cake..... ea. 12c Wine Cake..... ea. 12c Fruit Cake..... ea. 15c Fresh Jelly Rolls..... ea. 15c Plain Pound Cake..... lb 30c	4 to 5 P.M. Extra Large PORTO RICO ORANGES 21 For 25c
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DOES PRINTING FOR AMERICAN WAR FLOTILLA

"Skee" From "Chi" Is One of Busiest Men in Entire American Fleet.

Base American Flotilla in British Waters, Oct. 26.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press.)—The flotilla printer is one of the busiest Americans here. He is a native of Chicago and holds a card in typographical union No. 19 of that city. "Skee" from "Chi" is called by the blue-jackets who seem to have a nickname for every thing.

"Skee" does not go to sea. He works on board a vessel that swings at anchor in this port. From morning till night he is kept busy on the avalanche of orders that come rolling in for printed stuff for the whole flotilla. Of late he has been doing some work for the British naval forces. His workshop resembles a small jobbing office and is tucked out of the way in the stern of the flotilla ship. It is fenced off with warnings against intrusion. All type is set by hand and printed on a small hand press electrically operated.

The flotilla printer has made a hit by the way in which he illustrates the program he prints of the entertainment provided by the blue-jackets at their shore clubhouse, turning out rough wood cuts for the cover of the program. Last week he had a picture of the clubhouse with sailors arriving in limousines. Girls who are barred from the clubhouse are frequently depicted waiting in automobiles for the sailors to reappear. His latest attempt was an illustration of that part of West 43rd street, New York, known as Melody Lane to go with the burlesque of that musical thoroughfare produced by the sailors.

The flotilla printer is a chief petty officer with a rating of a first class printer. With the increase in pay made recently he gets \$32 a month as printer and to this must be added his \$50 a year allowance as a naval reservist, which brings his monthly stipend up to \$70. Uncle Sam pays his board and lodging. A satisfactory feature is that there is no composing room foreman to boss him. He alone in the whole flotilla knows his job.

Not only is it loyal, said Simpson to his wife; But the very best investment we'll ever get in life.

CIRCUMFERENCE OF TREE IS MORE THAN 20 FEET

One of the most interesting old trees in the United States is a giant Sassafras near Keweenaw, Va. The tree has a circumference of 30 1/2 feet six inches from the ground and at 5 feet its girth is 13 feet four inches. Some years ago the tree was a hollow trunk, with its top broken off, and it seemed about to die. Somebody built a fire in the interior. This fire was stopped with difficulty and it was thought that the tree was killed. On the contrary the fire killed only the insects with which the trunk was affected and gave the tree itself a new start, says the American Forestry Magazine. As a result the old trunk branched out, like a dressy old woman in a new Easter bonnet and is now crowned with strong healthy boughs.

From Simla, India, comes this story to the American Forestry Association of Washington: The educated public in Bengal is excited over the discovery of a palm tree which is exhibiting certain remarkable phenomena. This tree is on a plot of land owned by an inhabitant of Faridpur. In the morning it stands erect, with its leaves outspread; but after sunset it bows its head, the leaves touching the ground, as if prostrating. This is witnessed every day. Ignorant people have come to regard it as an abode of some god. Hundreds of men, women and children visit it daily and offer pujahs near it. It is even stated that many persons have been cured by offering pujah.

"Sir Jagdish Nunder Bose, the renowned Botanist, sent some of his assistants, with a self-recording apparatus specially constructed for the purpose, to discover the cause of the phenomenon. It has been found by dynamometric measurements that the internal forces, whose periodic fluctuation causes this remarkable movement, are very great, the pull necessary to bring the tree down to its position of prostration exceeding several hundred weight. Notwithstanding the thoroughly scientific explanation that this phenomenon is entirely natural, the owner of the tree is still making a good income from the pujah offerings of pilgrims."

Official Custodian of Richelieu's Skull

Paris, Oct. 26.—M. Armez, deputy from the department of the Cotes du Nord, who just died at Ploeriv, was formerly custodian of the head of Cardinal Richelieu. This relic came into the possession of the Armez family during their evolution, following the desecration of the tomb of the great minister of Louis XIII.

The skull was preserved during three generations in a box bearing the label "Pate of Strasbourg" to distract attention from its great importance. It was preserved in a box, establishing the identity of the relic.

M. Armez was prevailed upon to part with his important deposit about 30 years ago, in favor of the state, and Richelieu's skull was solemnly interred in the church of the Sorbonne where it has since remained.

God bless the British and the French; I'll help them blast a German trench.

Switzerland now shelters more than 12,000 German deserters. The Chicago Board of Trade will close at noon on Liberty Day.

The Only Difference Between Our Clothing and the Custom Tailor's Is This---

The little tailor has to do his work slowly because of limited help, while we employ a large staff of expert tailors and produce a larger quantity at a less cost.

Thus our volume of business enables us not only to employ the highest grade help, but also to sell clothing at 40 to 60% less than other stores.

Remember Surprise Store Clothes comes from one of the largest tailor shops in the country—and that shop produces garments for stores of every class. Many of the exclusive clothiers are selling our product throughout the United States, for our chain stretches from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

Suits and Overcoats at \$12.50

That's about the wholesale cost; for others sell these grades at \$17.50.

These garments are guaranteed, gentlemen, to meet your highest expectation if you buy one and are not fully satisfied, we'll refund your money without a word. Do yourself justice—and see this line.

We offer you the same models that both young men and conservative dressers are wearing—and we show an assortment that you can select from without having to take something "near" like what you want.

In Suits the new Trench model is here, in addition to a very choice selection of patch pocket, slanting pocket, two- and three-button styles; made of newest 1917 fabrics.

Overcoats—Chesterfields, Wellingtons, box and loose-back styles, form-fitting and slash-pocket models. All sizes.

Suits and Overcoats at \$15.00

Genuine and recognized \$20 and \$22 grades of other stores.

What is the use of a man guessing—or taking chances—when he can see these garments before he buys one—and when he can return his purchase and get his money back if he wants it? We know once you see these suits and overcoats you'll ask yourself why you haven't looked them over before this. We can't teach you style—it's already set; we can't tell you a garment fits well if it doesn't—you can see for yourself. Why not investigate?

You don't even have to enter our store—see these garments on display in our window. The Trench Model in both suits and coats—and all the other new designs in guaranteed fabrics are shown.

Suits and Overcoats at \$17.50

We could sell them at \$23 to \$25—and give good value; others are doing it.

You won't believe your own eyes when you see these handsome garments—for it is not customary to see such qualities and styles at seventeen-fifty. The one disagreeable feature of it is that you may doubt the garments—but, listen: We will give you a written guarantee that if you can duplicate these suits or overcoats under \$23 we will refund your money. Now, think of it—if these garments will give you the same style, same fit, same looks, same quality and same wear as those at five dollars more (aren't you willing to save the five)? You can find out and make sure—simply by giving the Surprise Store clothing one trial—AT OUR RISK.

Finest all wool, hand-tailored suits and overcoats in all the new models, including the Trench style, and weaves—and double the assortment of any other store.

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BRIDGEPORT

FLOW AND EBB OF GERMAN STRENGTH ON THE WESTERN FRONT SHOWN IN FIGURES

Since Beginning of War Number of Battalions on Both Fronts Have Been Increased, Frequently Shifted From One to the Other As Need Arose.

French Front, Oct. 26.—A clear idea of the ebb and flow of the ideas of German forces on the eastern and western fronts during the various phases of the war from the opening hostilities in 1914, till the beginning of September, 1917, is obtained from carefully compiled information which the correspondent of The Associated Press is enabled to transmit.

From this it is gathered that when the Germans started the war by invading Belgium they launched 1,190 battalions of infantry formed into 311 divisions of four regiments each, on the Franco-Belgian front, while on the Russian front they employed only 322 battalions formed into 80 1/2 divisions of four regiments each. On September 1 this year they had on the Franco-Belgian front 1,235 battalions of infantry formed into 309 divisions of four regiments each, while on the Russo-Belgian front 365 battalions formed into 92 divisions were in line. It will thus be seen that the German armies on the fighting fronts have been increased in the three years of war from 1,512 battalions to 2,234 battalions.

A review of the different periods of the war will show how these troops have been employed at various times, according to whether the principal effort of the Germans has been directed toward the western or the eastern front.

In August, 1914, the attention of the German high command was absorbed by the attack on Belgium and France, while the Russian front was regarded as a secondary occupation. At that time the infantry effective on the western front numbered 1,190 battalions in 311 divisions, each division consisting of four regiments. On the eastern front, the Germans then had 322 battalions comprising 80 1/2 divisions.

When the battle of the Yser was fought in November, 1914, the Germans intensified their effort in the west and brought up their reserves to a higher figure and at the same time increased the number of battalions on their eastern front so that they then had 1,235 battalions on the western front and 365 on the eastern front.

Then came the Russian offensive in Galicia and to check the Russian advance toward the German frontier, Germany was compelled to throw more troops on her eastern front, increasing the number of battalions there in September, 1915, to 730. To do this it was necessary to reduce the number of German battalions on the western front from 1,235 to 1,120.

Many divisions were transferred from the eastern to the western front when the Germans gathered their forces for the beginning of the great battle at Verdun. At the result that in June, 1916, there were 75 German battalions on the western front and those on the eastern front were reduced from 730 to 674.

The German drive against Rumania was made possible by adding more

than 300 battalions to their eastern battle line, bringing the total on the eastern front to 829. This was done without reducing the number of battalions on the western front below 1,300.

When the French and British began their great offensive operations in July, 1917, the Germans were compelled to bring fresh forces to the western front, increasing their battalions there to 1,456 but reducing the number on their eastern front only to 880. Subsequently the German battalions along the Russian battle line were increased by the addition of more than 100 battalions, bringing the total there to 985 on September 1 of this year. These were divided into 92 divisions of three regiments each. During this movement the battalions on the western front were reduced to 1,269, divided into 147 divisions and that is believed to have been the number on the German western front on September 1. These figures do not include any German troops on garrison duty in the interior of the country nor those maintaining lines of communications.

Old Glory mustn't be hauled down; Buy bonds at any bank in town.

The Germans went into this war to get more business, and as a result where they formerly had 100,000,000 customers in the United States, they merely have pro-German plotters.

Safeguards Health of The Children

Constipation, or inaction of the bowels, is a great menace to health. Cathartic or purgative remedies should never be given to children as the violence of their action tends to upset the entire digestive system. A mild laxative is far preferable, and the combination of simple laxative herbs with pepsin known as Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, and sold in drug stores for fifty cents a bottle, is highly recommended. This preparation contains no opiate, narcotic, or habit forming drug of any description, is mild and gentle in its action, and brings relief in easy, natural manner. Its pleasant taste appeals to children and they take it readily.

Thousands of mothers have testified to the merit of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, and in countless homes it is the standard family remedy. A trial bottle, free of charge, can be obtained by writing to Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 456 Washington St., Monticello, Illinois.

INLAND TRANSPORTATION

During the whole of the past year the supply of freight cars has been less than the demand, the shortage reaching on May 1 the record-breaking figure of 14,000 cars. Today, by the voluntary action of those in control thereof, the entire railway mileage of the country is operated as if it were a single system, and with an extraordinary increase in efficiency. But those who are best able to judge have no illusions as to the ability of the railroads alone to meet the transportation needs of the country in time of war. Mr. Daniel Willard, president of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad and chairman of the Advisory Commission to the Council of National Defense, said some time ago:

"The railroads of the United States, operated as one system, are carrying more freight than ever before in the history of the country, but when they have carried traffic up to 100 per cent. of their capacity there still remains, 15, 25, perhaps 30 per cent. of traffic which it is impossible for them to carry at all."

A press dispatch sent out from Washington on September 14 stated: "The spectre of coal riots and confiscation of passing coal shipments by local authorities was presented to Fuel Administrator Garfield today."

Railroad experts, admitting car shortage and the gravest traffic congestion in the country's history, said there is now no hope of filling all domestic and industrial coal demands in the scant eighty days remaining before winter ties up the rails and like boats.

The folly of depending entirely on one method of transportation, even in time of peace, was shown in 1907. But look ahead to the time when there will be one million, perhaps two millions, of our sons and brothers on the battlefields of France. Suppose our transportation system breaks down then!

Through failure of supplies and munitions to reach our army at a critical time we might lose not only a battle but the war. And then, the United States would have to fight for existence, single-handed and alone.

The railroads of the country are efficient, but they are not sufficient. The government, the cities and the shippers of the United States must cooperate to supplement the work of our railroads by using our waterways to the limit of their capacity. For in this, the supreme crisis of history, the fate of civilization and the future of humanity to a single method of transportation would be worse than folly; it would be a crime.

GERMANY FACES WAR ON BRAZIL, SAYS BRAZ

Rio Janeiro, Oct. 26.—Dr. Wenceslao Braz, President of the Republic, has sent a message to Congress declaring it is impossible to avoid recognizing the state of war which Germany has imposed on Brazil. He proposes the seizure of a German warship now in the port of Bahia.

Recent despatches from Buenos Aires reported disclosures of German intrigues to bring about a conflict between Brazil, Argentina and Uruguay. Brazil revoked her decree of neutrality in the war between the Entente Allies and Germany last June.

I'll lend my store with all my heart; I will not play a slacker's part.

Seely's, 1115 Main St., Upstairs.

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Up Stairs Up Stairs

The City Bank of Syracuse, N. Y., will join the Federal Reserve system.

German ships seized by Brazil will ply between ports of that country, and not sold.

One \$50 Liberty Bond will buy the complete fighting outfit of one American soldier.

Many women and children are reported to have been shot down by soldiers in food riots in Austria.